

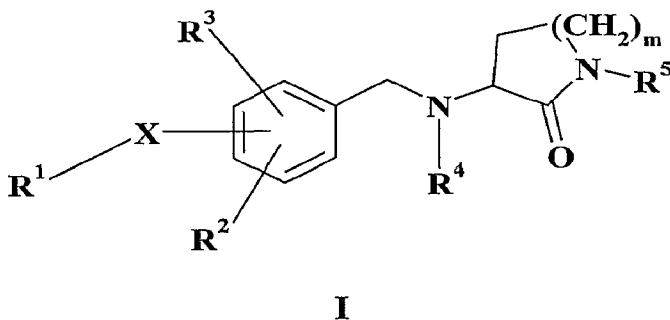
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-6. (canceled)

7. (previously presented) A compound of general formula I



wherein

m is an integer from 1 to 3

X is methylene, oxygen, sulphur or a NR^6 group;

R^1 is a straight or branched $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_8$ alkyl or $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_8$ alkenylene or $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_8$ alkynylene chain, optionally substituted with CF_3 , phenyl, phenoxy or naphthyl or phenyl, the aromatic rings optionally substituted by one or more $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$ alkyl, halogens, trifluoromethyl, hydroxy or $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$ alkoxy groups;

R^2, R^3 are independently hydrogen, a $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_3$ alkyl chain, halogen, trifluoromethyl, hydroxy or $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$ alkoxy groups;

R^4, R^5, R^6 are independently hydrogen or C_1-C_6 alkyl; and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof; provided that:

- when R^1 is phenyl, benzyl, 2-phenethyl or 3-phenpropyl optionally and independently substituted on the phenyl ring by one or two C_1-C_6 alkyl, halogen, hydroxy, C_1-C_4 alkoxy or trifluoromethyl and X is oxygen, sulphur, methylene or -NH-, at least one of R^2 or R^3 is other than hydrogen;

- if m is 3, R^1-X 4-benzyloxy, R^2, R^4 and R^5 hydrogen, then R^3 is other than 3-methoxy; and

- if m is 3, R^1-X 3-benzyloxy, R^2, R^4 and R^5 hydrogen, then R^3 is other than 4-methoxy.

8-11. (canceled)

12. (previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition containing the compound according to claim 7, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in admixture with a suitable carrier and/or diluent and optionally to other therapeutic agents.

13-16. (canceled)